ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH for the year 1938.

To the Chairman and Members of the Bakewell Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Miss Chetwynd Stapylton and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Third Annual Report as Medical Officer of Health, on the sanitary circumstances and vital statistics affecting the Urban District of Bakewell for the year ending December 31st, 1938.

The report is again an Ordinary Report and is written in conformity with the suggestions contained in Circular No.1728. issued by the Ministry of Health, dealing with Annual Reports.

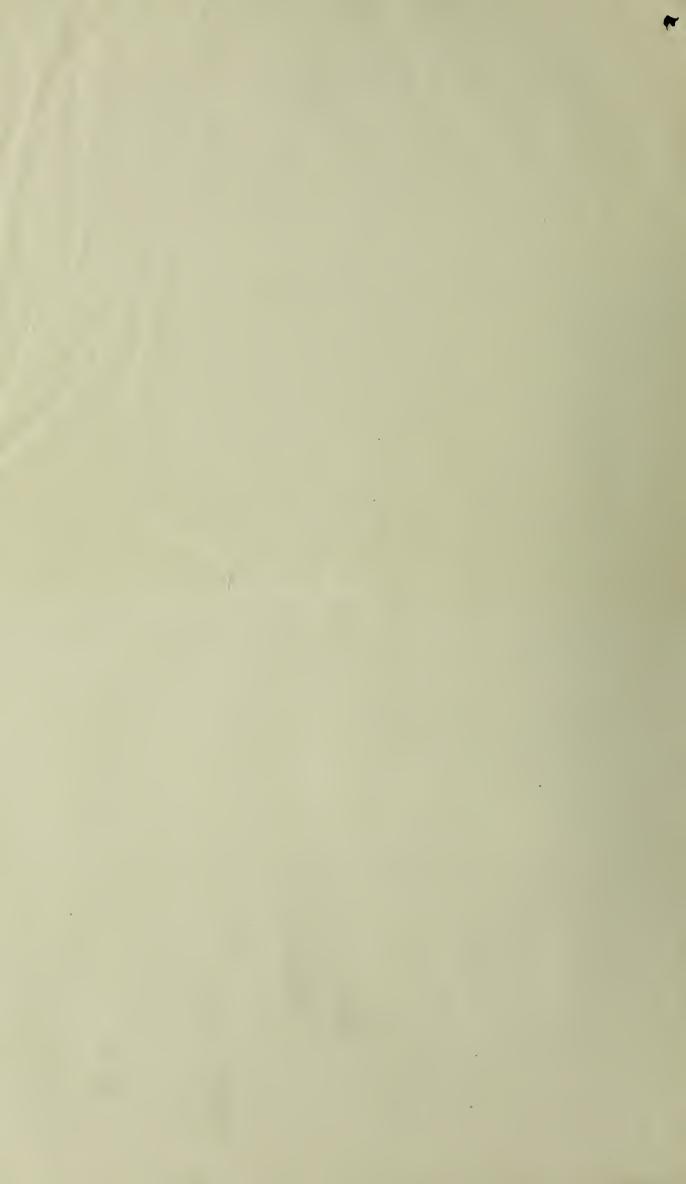
STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS of the AREA.

Area	• • •	3,061 acres.
Population :- Estima Genera	ted by Registrar 1 (mid year 1938)	3,191
Population, Census 1	931	3,028
Number of Inhabited H December 31st		885
Rateable Value	• • •	£22,873
Product of Penny Rate	(ascertained).	£ 87.13.11.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR.

BIRTHS

	40	23	17
	Note: Net-ulter/Reueblasser	na _{mal} quaritierelliquisid	
Illegitimate	1	1	0
Legitimate	39	22	17
Live Births	Total.	Male.	Female.



Birth rate per 1,000 of	the estimate	population:	- 12.53
Stillbirths.	Total		
Legitimate	3	2	1
Illegitimate	0	0	0
Rate per 1,000 total ()	live and still	births)	. 69.76
DEATHS.	Total	Male	Female
	40	23	17
Death Rate (per 1,000	of estimate p	opulation).	11.15
Number of persons dyin	ng in, or in c of Childbirt		
From Puerperal Seps	sis	• • •	0
From other Puerpers	al Causes	• • •	0
This corresponds to the rates per 1,000 Births:-	ne following) (Live and St	ill)	
Puerperal Sepsis	• • •	• • •	0
Other Puerperal Cau	ises •••·	• • •	0
	ANT MORTALITY		
DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE	YEAR OF AGE		
Legitimate	• • • •	Ø 6 b	2
Illegitimate •	• • • •	• • •	0
			2
			Water of Manuscottingsgammungs deriversitärdere Miller-villaterungspayer/skillerer/sgjcgddrever
Infant Mortality Reunder one year, p			ts
All Infants	• • • •	• • •	50 .00
Legitimate	• • • •	• • •	51.28
Illegitimate	• • • •	• • •	0
TABLE 1. DEATHS FRO	DM CERTAIN SEL	ECTED CAUSES	
		De	aths No.
Cancer	• • • •	• • •	3
Measles		• • •	0
Whooping Cough	• • •	• • •	0

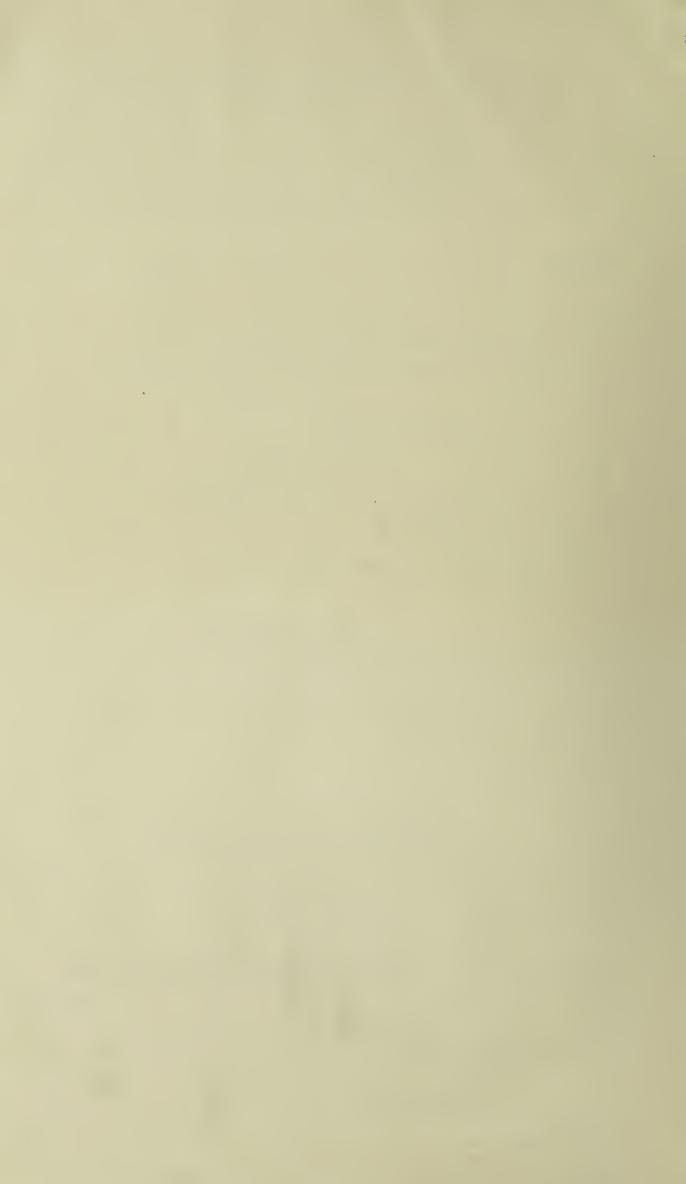


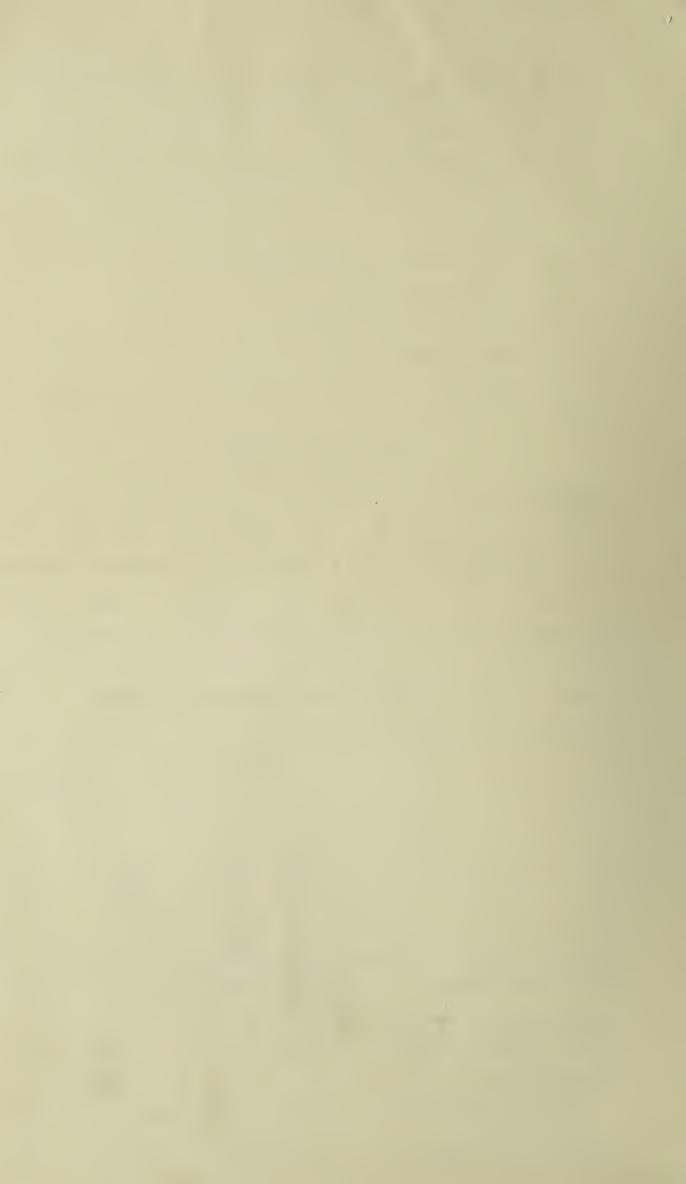
TABLE 1.	(Contd)				Deaths No.
	Diarrhoea (under	2 years	of age)		0
	Diphtheria	• • •	• • •	• • •	0
	Scarlet Fever	• • •	• • •	• • •	0
	Influenza	• • •	• • •	• • •	1
	Pneumonia	• • •	• • •	• • •	1
	Tuberculosis of H	Respirato:	ry System	• • •	1
	Other Tuberculos:	is	• • •	• • •	0
	Other Epidemic D:	iseases	• • •	• • •	0
	Heart Disease	• • •	• • •	• • •	10
	Violence	• • •	• • •	• • •	2

DEATHS IN AGE GROUPS

Under one year	1-15	15-30	30-45	45-60		75 and over.	TOTAL
2	2	0	2	3	19	12	40

COMPARISON WITH ENGLAND AND WALES

1				
		e per l		Rate per 1,000 live Births
	Live Births	Stillbirths.	Deaths all causes	Deaths under one Year. All causes.
England and Wales	15.1	0.60	11.6	53
County Boroughs and Great Towns including London Smaller Towns	15.0	0.65	11.7	57
(Resident Populations 25,000 to 50,000 at 1931 Census.	15.4	0.60	11.0	51
Bakewell Urban District	12.53	0.94	11.15	50
3	•	1		



GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

These remain unchanged.

The ambulance facilities remain unchanged, but a new ambulance is highly desirable.

During the year 118 cases were admitted to the Isolation Hospital. Of these the following 14 were from your district:-

Scarlet Fever 11

Diphtheria 2

Erysipelas 1

The Joint Hospital Board have had under consideration plans for the extension of the Isolation Hospital.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

WATER .

The new high pressure main was completed during the year. A better supply is now available for property on high levels. It is regretted that no progress has been made with the limestone filtration beds. There is still trouble from corrosion of pipes and much annoyance is caused by the frequent severe discolouration of the water by rust. Samples from the springs and from a house tap were submitted for bacteriological examination and found to be very satisfactory.

SEWERAGE ._

No trouble has arisen during the year. The quality of the effluent has been satisfactory.

At the beginning of the year there were 148 houses lacking a water carriage system. Of this number 5 are too far from the sewer for conversion to be carried out. A further 45 houses are either condemned or in areas scheduled for future clearance. Sewer connections are likely to prove a difficulty in 12 instances and these have been left in abeyance for a time. Informal notices for conversion have been served on the owners of

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the remaining 86 houses and it is intended to serve formal notices where necessary. Work has made steady progress and by the end of the year 18 conversions had been completed and the cost of a further 6 approved. The improved situation is shown by the following figures:-

		Number in use at end of 1937	Number in use at end of 1938.
Privy Middens	• • •	72	49
Pail Closets	• • •	37	12
Water Closets	• • •	723	810

PUBLIC CLEANSING.

The condition of the tip is much improved, and although not fully controlled it is now neither a nuisance nor an eyesore.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

The Sanitary Officers Order, 1935, require the Sanitary Inspector, as soon as practicable after the 31st

December in each year to furnish the Medical Officer of Health with reports upon their work during the year. The report of your Inspector is reproduced herewith:-

ANNUAL REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR. BAKEWELL URBAN SANITARY DISTRICT, 1938.

Name of Inspector: - T.W. BAKER

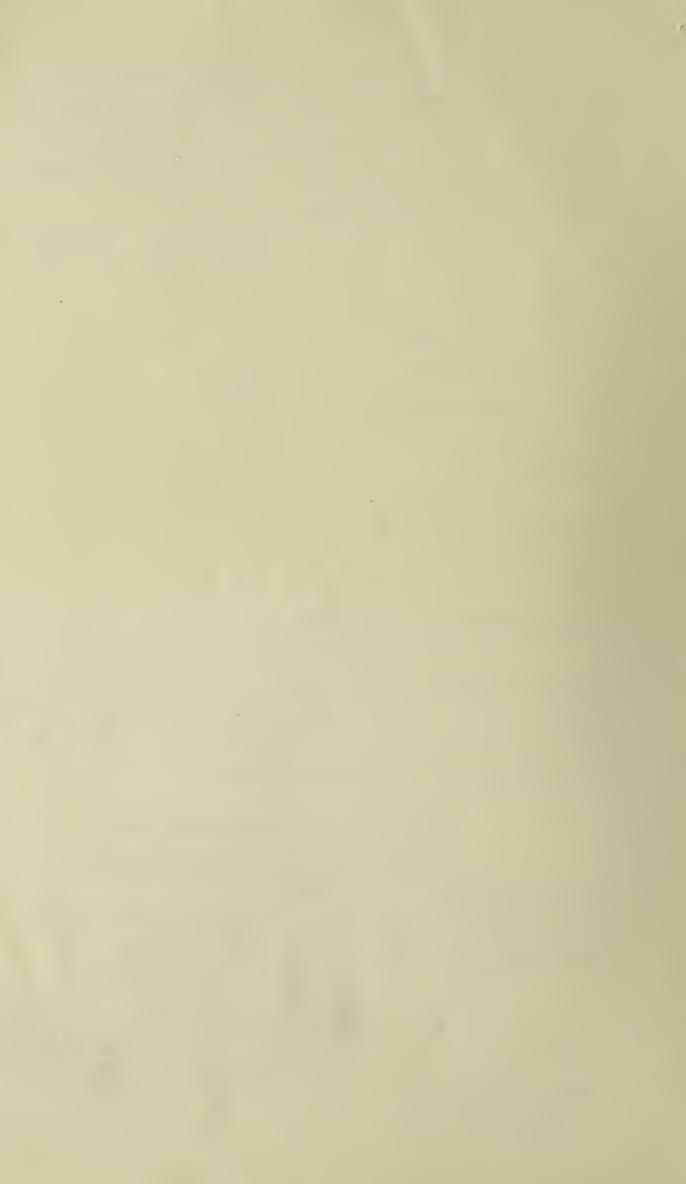
Area of District 3,061 acres. Estimated No. of Houses 885

New Houses erected 1938

(a) By Local Authority 30(b) By Private enterprise 21

No. of Inspections made by Sanitary Inspector.	No. of Notices Served. Infor- mal	Legal	No. of Nuisances abated with or without Notice.
38	8		16

CLOSETS AND ASHPITS:Defective Privies,
Pail Closets, and
Ashpits



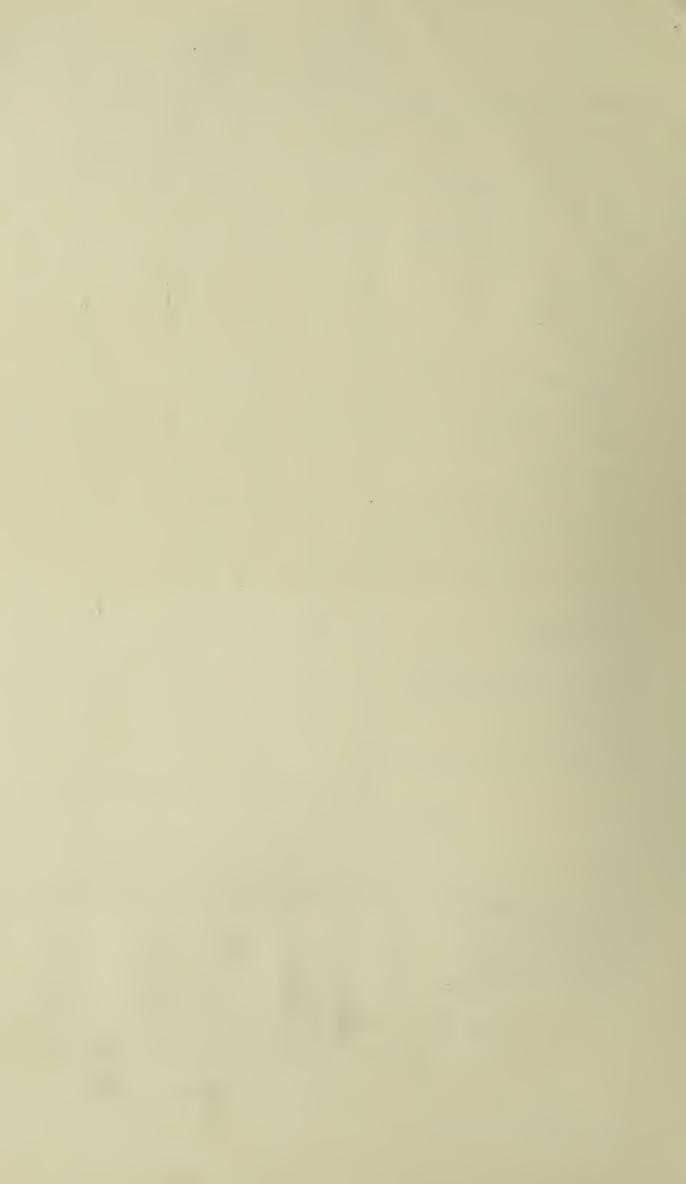
	No. of Inspections made by Sanitary Inspector.	No. of Notices Served Infor- mal	•	No. of Nuisances abated with or without Notice.
Conversion of Privies				
into W.C.'s	51	39		15
do. Pail Closets do. Conversion of Privies	14	6		8
to Pail Closets Defective Water Closets Provision of Additional	8	3		3
Water Closets Provision of portable ashbins	48	37		37
Dirty Closets	4	,		4
DRAINAGE				
No disconnection of waste pipe	9	3		9
Defective waste pipe, traps, drains. Drains obstructed.	21 28	10		21 28
OTHER DEFECTS				
Paving of Courts and Yards Roofs, Eaves-spouts and	21	8		8
Down Spouts Sinks.	15 12	6 2		8
Insufficient ventilation Windows	10	4		8
Dampness Water in cellars	19 5	, 6		6 5
Weter Supply Overcrowding.	14	6		6
Foul condition of Houses. Offensive Accumulations.	15	6		6
Animals improperly kept. Pigsties.	1 18	6 1 1		6 1
Smoke nuisances Urinals.	31	2		2
Nuisances not specified abo	•			
Totals	382	148		198
N	o on Ins	pections	Notice	s

Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops
Bakehouses
Slaughterhouses.
Offensive Trades
Common Lodging Houses
Totals

No. on Register	Inspections Made	Notices Served	Abated
32 5	71 21	3	3
7	248	2	2
-		-	-
44	340	5	5

Signed T. W. BAKER.

Date 14th Feb. 1939.



CAMPING SITES .

Apart from the local scout camp, no camping took place within the district.

SWIMMING BATHS.

The provision of a swimming bath has again had consideration. Plans and estimates have been prepared. It is felt that the climatic conditions commonly pertaining in this district are such that an open air pool could not be used for more than a few weeks. On the other hand a closed bath, although allowing for healthy exercise all the year, has certain drawbacks in summer. At my suggestion, the scheme adopted is something of a compromise, since the bath may be used closed or with half the height of one side completely open. I am firmly convinced that this is the best type for the conditions in this part of the country, and it is hoped that the application for grant from the Area Committee for National Fitness may be successful.

ERADICATION OF BED BUGS.

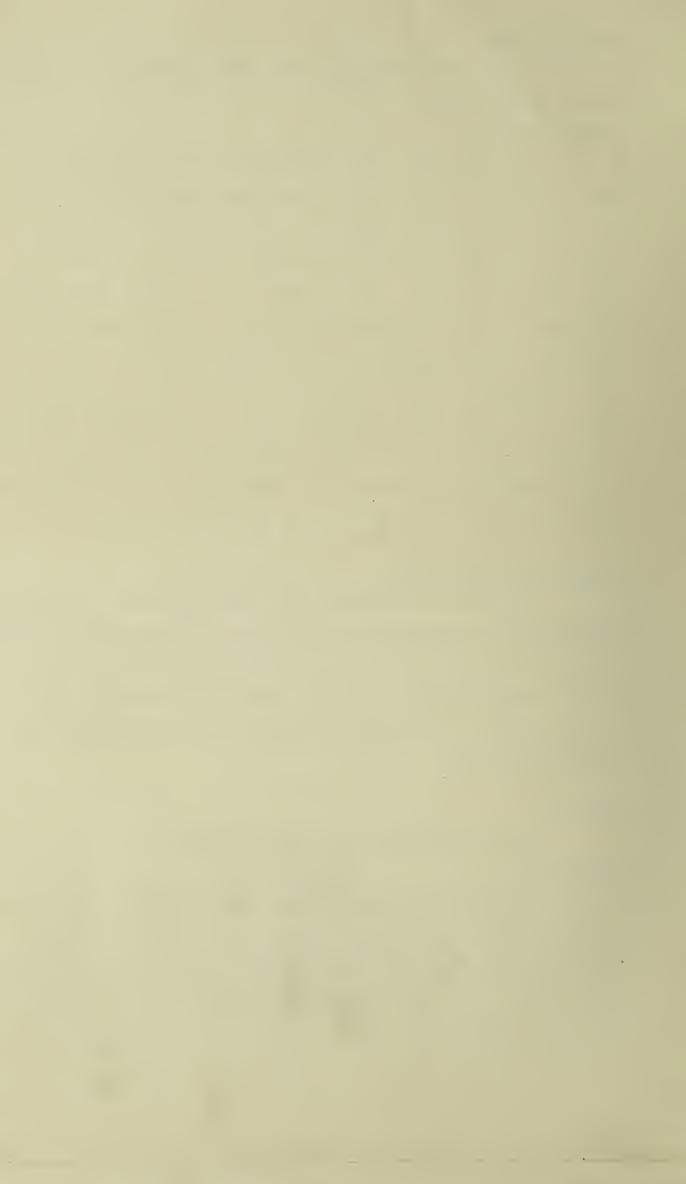
No case of infestation has been reported. It has not been considered necessary to institute any precautionary methods to ensure that the belongings of tenants are free from vermin before removal to Council houses. Any disinfestation would be carried out by the Sanitary Inspector, or by workmen under his direct supervision.

SCHOOLS.

No school closure has been necessary.

SECTION D. HOUSING

It is satisfactory to note that 30 families were rehoused during the year. This number comprises the tenants of twenty five unfit houses and five other families living under overcrowded conditions. It is to be noted that seven of the condemned houses were also overcrowded.



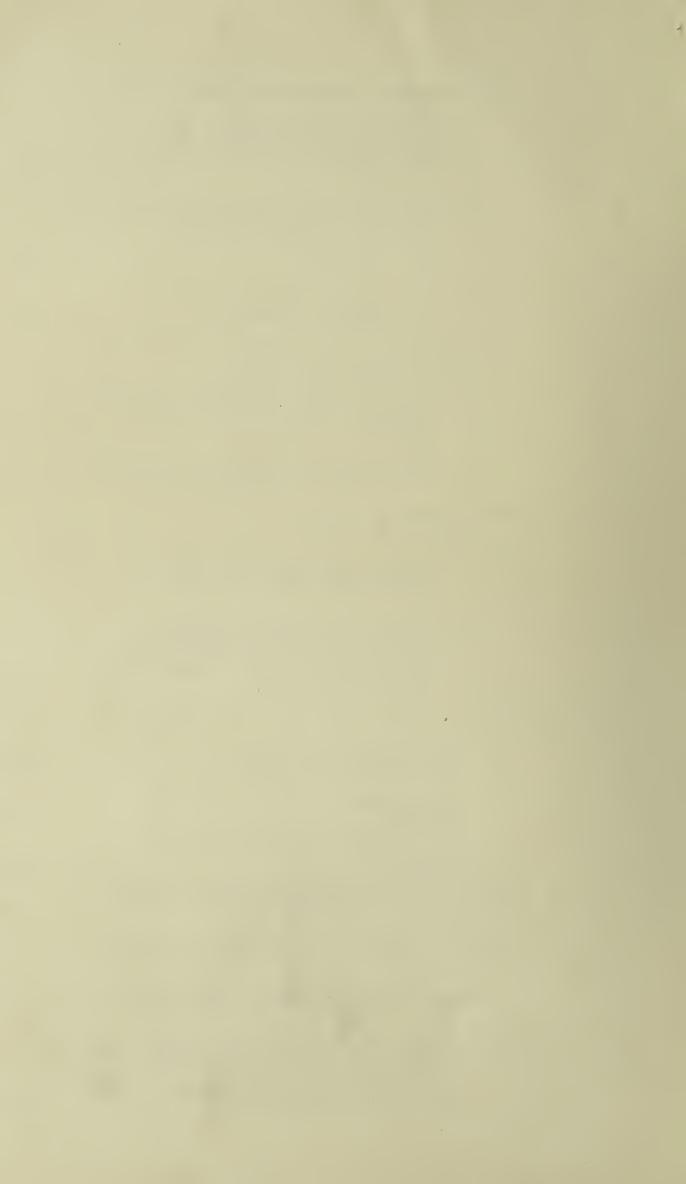
There is still an urgent need for a further ten houses, the plans for which have now been approved. These will include six of two bedrooms, suitable for elderly persons.

HOUSING 1938.

1.	Inspection of Dwellinghouses during the Year :-	
	(1) (a) Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts.)	45
	(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose.	68
	(2) (a) Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932.	43
	(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	64
	(3) Number of dwellinghouses found to be a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	17
	(4) Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	16
2.	Remedy of defects during the Year without service of formal Notices:-	
	Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers.	12
3.	Action under Statutory Powers during the Year:-	
	(a) Proceedings under sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936:-	
	(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served re- quiring repairs	3
	(2) Number of dwellinghouses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :-	
	(a) By owners	3
	(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	Nil



(b)	Proceedings under Public Health Acts:-	
	(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.	Nil
	(2) Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:-	
	(a) By owners	Nil
	(b) By Local Authority in default of owners.	Nil
(c)	Proceedings under sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:-	
	(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made.	8
	(2) Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders.	1
(d)	Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act 1936:-	
	(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made.	Nil
	(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit.	Nil
4. Housing A	ct, 1936 Part IV Overcrowding :-	
(a)	(i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year.	Nil
	(ii) Number of families dwelling therein.	Nil
	(iii)Number of persons dwelling therein.	Nil
(b)	Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	Nil
(0)	(i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year.	12
	(ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases.	79
(d)	Particulars of any cases in which dwellinghouses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding.	Nil



INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

MILK SUPPLY

There was no alteration in the number of cowsheds on the register. On the whole there has been an improvement, and I have observed fewer instances of bad handling than in previous years.

SLAUGHTERHOUSES AND MEAT INSPECTION .

The number of slaughterhouses has been reduced to seven. As previously stated, one good abattoir would be ample for the needs of the district and I still venture to suggest that it would be wise if the butchers themselves undertook such a co-operative scheme.

Nuisance from offal and manure has been of less frequent occurrence.

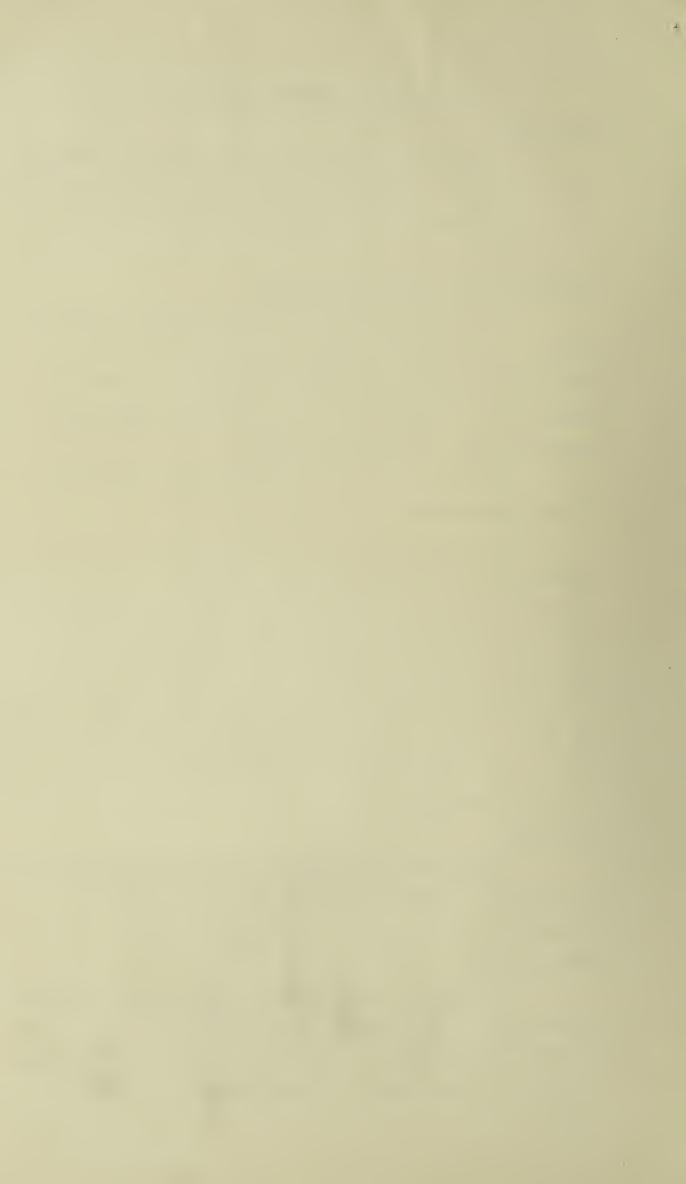
The following table gives the number of carcases inspected and the amount condemned as unfit. It will be seen that much work is done to ensure that no diseased meat leaves the slaughterhouse and in this the butchers, as a whole give willing assistance. It is therefore a matter for regret that so little care is taken when the meat reaches the shops. Here it is all too frequently exposed to dust and flies. It is perhaps just as well that the national failing is to overcook meat.

BAKEHOUSES .

These have been regularly inspected and found to be satisfactory. Improvements have been effected at one bakehouse.

OTHER FOODS.

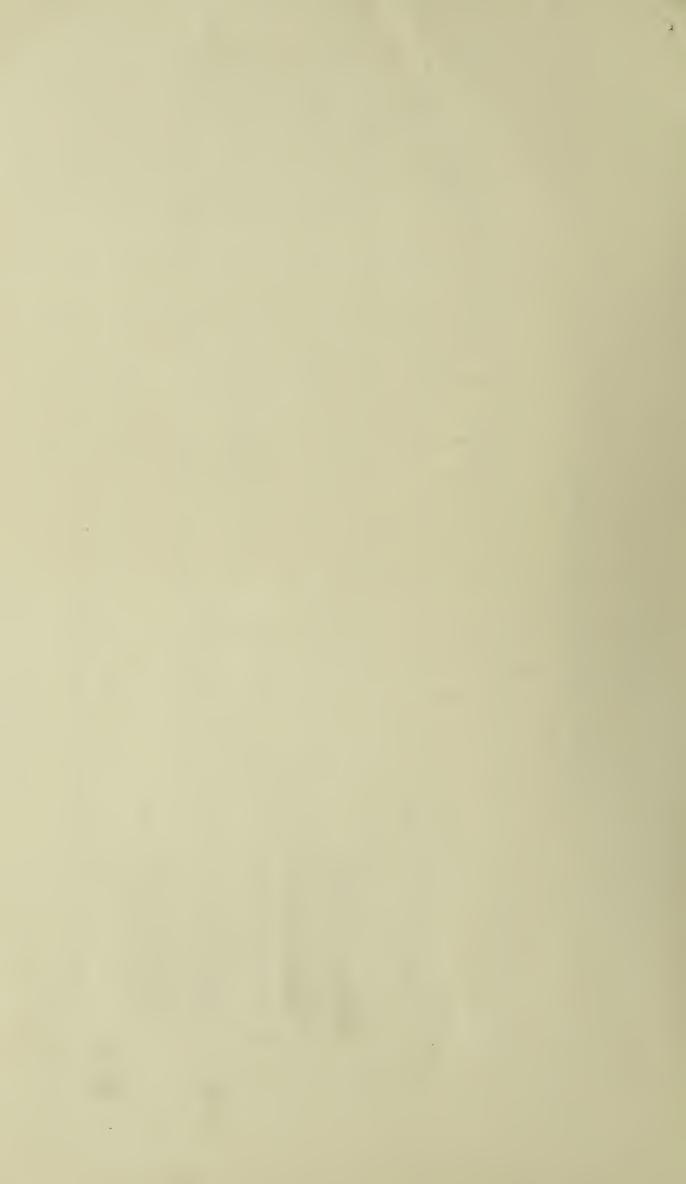
My remarks as to exposure of meat to dust and flies applies equally to many other foods offered for sale. The habit of placing boxes or hampers of food at doors or on the pavement, is particularly to be deprecated.



CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

Pigs		1131	g.	വ	0 • 44	٦	4	0 •44
Sheep and Lambs	known	1209	1	હ્ય	0.16	1	ŧ	1
Calves	Not kr	64		Н	1.26		1	1.26
Cattle		312	•	2.6	8.33	ω	ઢ	3.20
	Number killed (if known)	Number inspected	All diseases except Tuberculosis Whole carcases condemned	Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis.	Tuberculosis only. Whole carcases condemned.	Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis.

In addition: - 6 lbs. Cooked Ox Tongue 10 lbs. Beef.



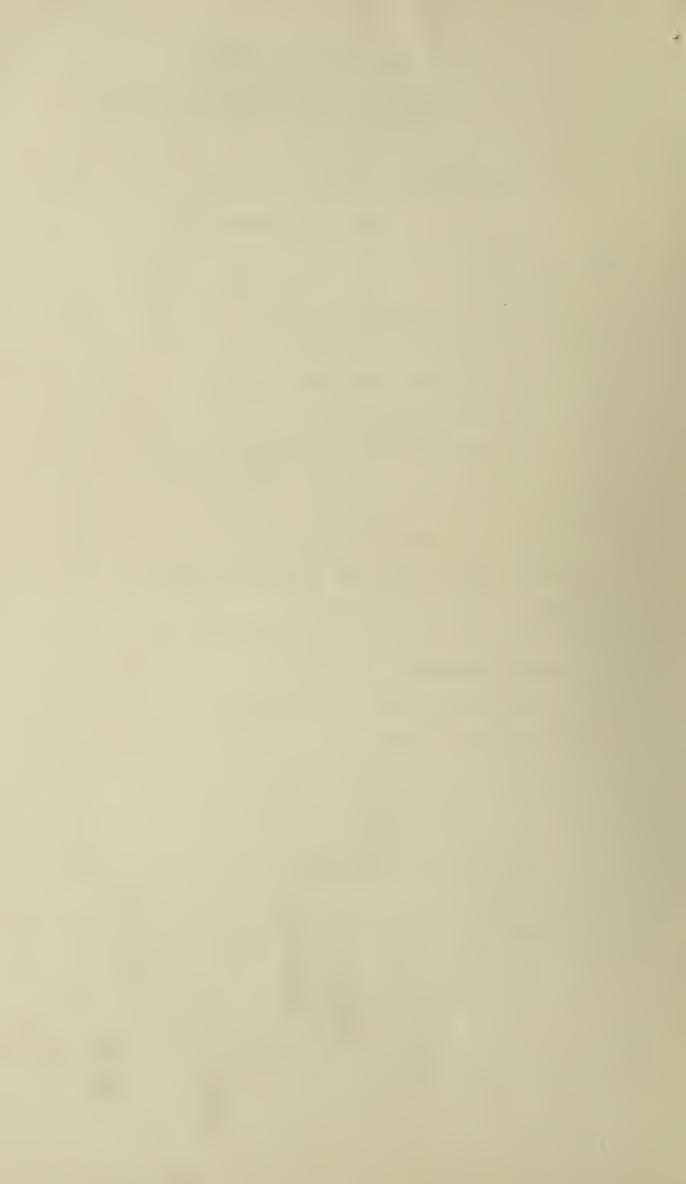
BAKEWELL URBAN DISTRICT

Milk & Dairies (Consolidation) Act 1915 Milk & Dairies (Amendment) Act 1922 Milk & Dairies Order 1926

	Total number of Cowsheds in District Total number of Farms in District	22 14
	Work done during 1938	
Number	of Cowsheds :-	
1.	Newly built	1
2.	Entirely remodelled internally.	Nil
3.	Not now used for milk beast	1
4.	Where new floors were laid	2
5.	Where floors were repaired.	2
6.	Where feeding troughs repaired or provided	2
7.	Where lighting & ventilation were improved	2
8.	Where lofts were removed	Nil
9.	Where loft floors were improved.	Nil
10.	Where drain inlets were removed to outside.	1
11.	Where drainage was provided.	1
12.	Where walls were rendered in cement.	1,
13.	Where standings were paved.	1
14.	Where approach paving was repaired	2
15.	Which were cleaned up.	5
16.	Where manure dump was moved.	Nil
17.	Where manure dump was improved.	2
18.	Where work is completed.	Nil
19.	Where work is in progress.	Nil
Numbe	or of Farms :-	
1.	Where new dairies were built	2
2.	Where dairies were improved.	1
3.	Where cow-keeping was given up.	Niļ

(Signed) T. W. BAKER

DATE 14 Feb. 1939.



PREVALENCE OF and CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS and OTHER DISEASES

There was a slight increase in the number of cases of Scarlet Fever and a fall in the cases of Tuberculosis, but in neither instance are the figures large enough to need any further comment.

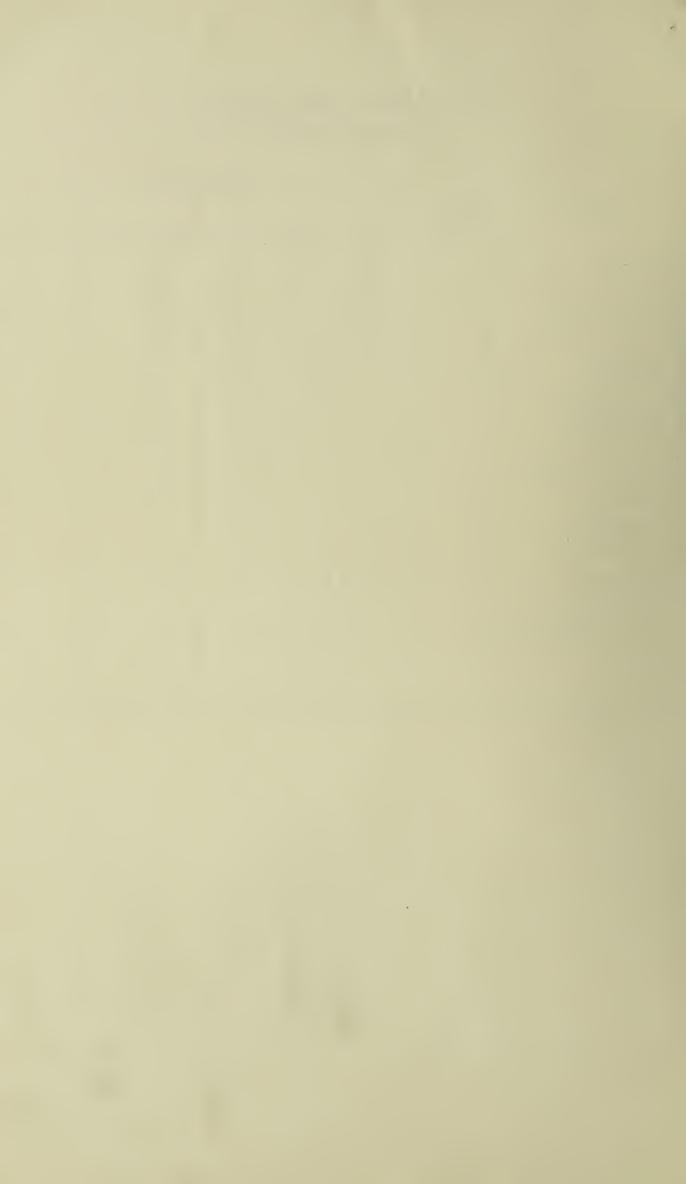
	Total cases notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Scarlet Fever	15	11	0
Diphtheria	2	2	0
Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid)	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	1	0
Pneumonia	6	0	1
Erysipelas	2	1	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	1	0
Poliomyelitis	0	0	0
Tuberculosis (all forms)	3	1	1



CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES AT VARYING AGES DURING 1938.

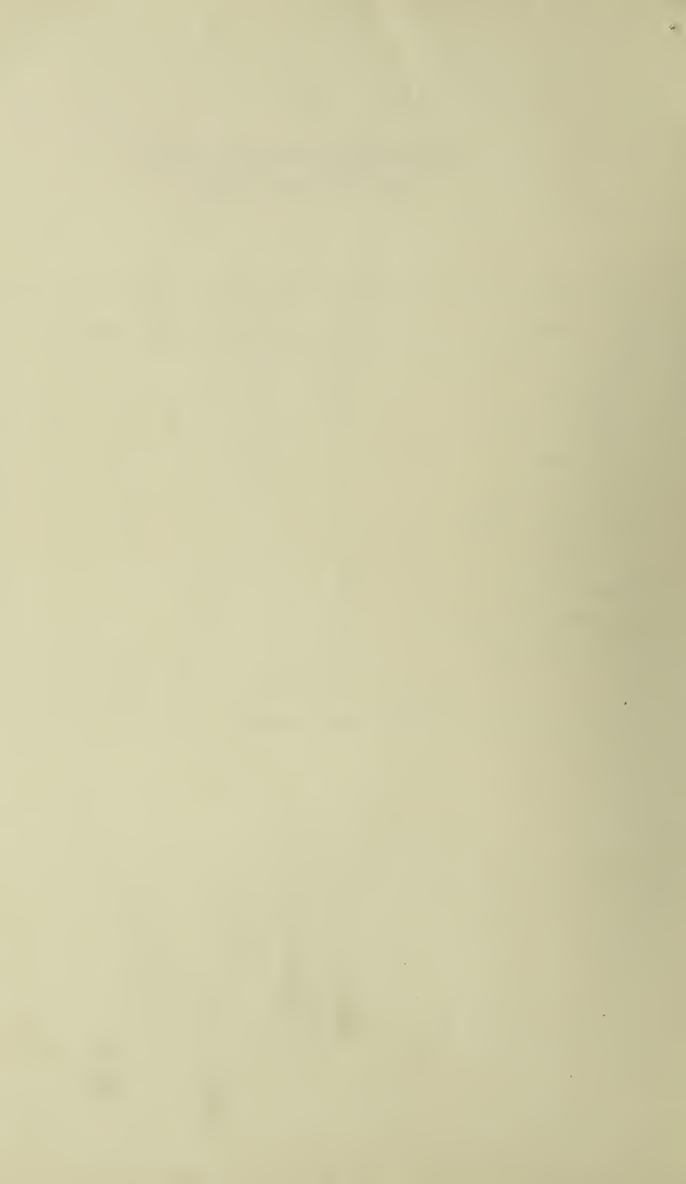
AGE GROUPS

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Disease	Under one year	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-	20-	35~	45-	65-	Total
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	-	1	-	2	2	4	1	4	1	-	-		15
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	2
Enteric Fever (including paratyphoid)	-	-	_	_	_	-	-	-	-	-	~	_	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	_	-	1
Pneumonia	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	2	1	6
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
Tuberculosis (all forms)	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	3
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PREVALENCE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE DURING THE LAST 5 YEARS.

Disease	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
Smallpox	0	0	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever	5	1	44	6	15
Diphtheria	6	3	8	1	2
Enteric Fever	0	1	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	1	1	0	1
Pneumonia	5	7	6	4	6
Erysipelas	1	1	3	1	2
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	0	0	0	0	1
Tuberculosis	1	0	6	8	3
TOTALS:	17	14	68	20	30



TUBERCULOSIS

New Cases and Mortality during 1938.

					-			
			New			Death	ıs.	
Age Period	Res	piratory	Non	-respiratory		piratory	Non - res- piratory	
	М •	F.	M •	F.	M •	F.	М.	· F •
0	-	-	-			-	-	-
1-	-	_	-	49	-	-	ww.	-
5-	-	-	1	-	-	÷_	us-	-
15-	-		-	en-	-	-	-	
25-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
35-	-	-	- 1	-	-	-	**	-
45-	-	-	600	-	-	-		-
55-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
65 and upwards	-	-			-	dip	-	
Totals	1	1	1	-	_	1	-	
				}	1	1		

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant

S. S. PROCTOR,

Medical Officer of Health.

Bath Street, Bakewell.

May 26th 1939.



1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health.
INCLUDING INSPECTIONS MADE BY SANITARY INSPECTORS.

	Number of						
	Inspec-	Written	Occupiers				
Premises	tions	Notices	prosecuted				
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)				
FACTORIES with mechanical power	48	1	-				
FACTORIES without " "	35	2	em				
* OTHER PREMISES under the Act (including works of building and engineering construction but not including outworkers' premises)	14	7					
promraca,	1.4	_					
* Electrical Stations should be reckoned as Factories. Total:	97	4	_				

2. DEFECTS FOUND

		Number	of Defects	Number of defects in
Particulars.	Found	Reme-	Referred to H.M. Inspec-	respect of which Prosecutions
(1)	(2)	died (3)	(4)	were in- stituted. (5)
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	3	3.	con	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-		***************************************	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	- 600	-	olito	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	~
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	1	1	-	-
(insufficient Sanitary (unsuitable or	-	~		~
Conveniences (defective (S.7) (not separate		-	-	640.
(for sexes	-	610	-	-
Other offences (Not including offences relating to Home Work or offences under the Sections mentioned in the Schedule to the Ministry of Health (Factories & Workshops Transfer of Powers) Order, 1921, and re-enact-	een .	-	-	
ed in the Third Schedule to the Factories Act, 1937). Total:	4	4	400	•

Signature: S.S. PROCTOR

May 26th, 1939.

Medical Officer of Health.

